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## Algonquin Highlands says no thanks to MNRF

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

Algonquin Highlands will not be partnering with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry on the maintenance of Sherborne Lake Road, south of Dorset.

Winding about 12 kilometres from Highway 35 to the lake, the logging road is owned by the province and is used to access a handful of cottages, as well as by local hunters and fishermen.

The road also provides access to township-owned campsites, which generate about \$16,000 a year for Algonquin Highlands.

The sites can also be reached through the township's water trails system.

The province has been looking for partner organizations for the future maintenance of the thoroughfare and at a Jan. 21 meeting, Algonquin Highlands councillors received a visit from Dave May of the MNRF.

As May explained, a number of organizations have come to the table, including the Bancroft-Minden Forestry Company, the Trent Severn Waterway and the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change, along with the MNRF itself.

The forestry company has said it would make in-kind contributions, the TSW \$500 a year, the MOECC \$3,750 a year and the MNRF \$7,500 a year, and up to \$10,000 in matching funds.

May said this arrangement left a minimum funding gap of \$5,750 a year for what would be a very minimum level of maintenance for

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Erin Lynch stands outside the Art Hive along Highway 118 near Maple Lake. After nine years, the Art Hive, an artisans' collective featuring exclusively Haliburton County artists, is shutting down. CHAD INGRAM Staff

## Art Hive closes its doors

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

"Burnout," says Erin Lynch, explaining the decision to close the Art Hive along Highway 118 in Algonquin Highlands. "Predominantly, it's burnout."

For more than nine years, the Art Hive Maple Lake Artisans Collective has been showing and selling the work of Haliburton County artists.

The model required that artists who wanted to display their work put in volunteer hours, working the shop.

"This place was an artist-run centre," Lynch says. "There's usually someone

paid to organize them. Everything here was volunteer-run."

In the end, it came down to not enough members having the time or the energy for things to carry on.

"The Art Hive is not just me," says Lynch, who owns and lives in the historic general store building that's served as the home of the Hive. "It was a group decision as things have changed in people's lives. A lack of energy resources combined with some challenging economic times."

Priorities for some members have changed, some wanting to go into just exhibiting.

"That spreads things too thin," Lynch says.

Others have had illnesses in their families

and circumstances for Lynch herself have changed quite substantially.

For the past year, she's been employed as a studio technician at Fleming College.

When the Art Hive held its annual general meeting in October, its 10 members decided that a recruitment drive was necessary. While that effort was successful in attracting five or six new members, Lynch says at the end of the proverbial day, there was still not going to be sufficient resources.

Along with working in the shop, collective members also sat on various committees.

"Marketing, maintenance, finance," Lynch

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# Costs and expectations concern councillors

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a forestry road.

Additional terms and conditions for aspects such as “maintenance responsibility transitions” could be negotiated before a memorandum of understanding was signed, May said.

Councillors were concerned not only about the cost, but the expectations, work and legal responsibilities the township would assume under an agreement.

“That’s a big gap for a road that doesn’t belong to us,” said Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen, who also questioned a requirement for the township to insure itself for the Crown.

“Essentially, it’s to safeguard the province . . . because we’re not responsible for the actual work and maintenance,” May said.

Danielsen said she didn’t think the costs and risks made the situation worthwhile for the township.

Reeve Carol Moffatt said if the township entered into an agreement, to the public, it would be as good as the township owning the road.

“It will become the expectation of the public . . . to fix it, open it, repair it, put a bigger culvert in,” Moffatt said. “To me, it’s a slippery slope to a place where we can’t possibly survive.”

The reeve also expressed concern that if other partners were not able to follow

through on their commitments, it would be “the good old township” that would be expected to come through.

Moffatt recalled that during the floods in the spring of 2013, Algonquin Highlands paid \$38,000 to repair washouts along the provincially owned Sherborne Road.

“We never even got a reply to our letter requesting repayment,” Moffatt said. “So that’s a bit of a problem.”

The four or so cottage properties that are accessed by using the road were at one time Crown-owned hunts camps, later purchased by residents.

“They’re our taxpayers, but we didn’t put them there,” Moffatt said. “Philosophically, what is our commitment to those folks?”

Councillor Marlene Kyle noted those residents already have low expectations when it comes to the quality of the road.

“They don’t expect it to be a completed road,” Kyle said, adding that entering the agreement posed too much financial risk for Algonquin Highlands. “It’s like putting a blank cheque out there.”

Without a partnership, the MNRF will continue to use its \$7,500 budget to maintain the road until a gate 2.8 kilometres in.

There is a gate at that point that can be closed if conditions become unsafe for the public.

Moffatt suggested correspondences be sent to the handful of cottage owners regarding council’s decision.



After nearly a decade, the Art Hive near Maple Lake in Algonquin Highlands is closing its doors. Founding member Erin Lynch, pictured, said the group decision came down to burnout. CHAD INGRAM Staff

## Messages of sadness flood social media

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says, listing off committee responsibilities. “Marketing is huge. It’s the biggest part of the business.”

The Art Hive had received some funding in the past, but Lynch said that criteria at organizations such as the Ontario Trillium Foundation had changed so that the Hive was no longer eligible.

Its sales were not quite enough to get assistance from the Ontario Arts Council.

“Even still [if we got funding], it’s getting the energy,” Lynch says. “The summer is really challenging because we’re open seven days a week. I’d rather go when things are good.”

When Lynch posted the group’s decision to discontinue the Art Hive on social media last week, it evoked an outpouring of sadness from the community.

“No words . . . you will be missed very much,” wrote one resident.

“I’m so sorry to hear this,” wrote another. “I recently discovered the Art Hive and enjoyed a few of the workshops. You’ll be missed.”

Along with acting as a gallery and shop, the Hive also routinely put on workshops and provided a venue for various performances.

“It was a platform to enact creative fanta-

sy,” Lynch says.

One year, at the Hive’s annual Fashion Fallies, a wearable art fashion show, artist Kathleen Atkinson-Hindle notably wore a dress made of cabbage.

Lynch says she’s been having mixed emotions, ready to move on to the next chapter of her life, but also nostalgic.

“I read those emails and get teary,” she says.

Lynch will be putting the building up for sale, likely in the spring.

“For entrepreneurs, it’s fantastic opportunity,” she says, noting that it includes the store, living space and a workshop.

During its nearly decade-long run, the Art Hive received a number of awards, including from the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce and the Arts Council Haliburton Highlands.

The Art Hive’s last day of operation will be this Saturday, Jan. 30, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Residents are invited to stop in and enjoy light refreshments.

“The Art Hive was great thing and provided many artists an interesting venue,” Lynch says. “There was mentorship for emerging artists and a sense of community. For customers, it was the only place that sold exclusively Haliburton County artwork. The end of an era.”



Run by a collective of local artists, the Art Hive exclusively sold works created by Haliburton Highlands artists.

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# Family health team managing amid cuts

by **CHAD INGRAM**  
Times Staff

The executive director of the Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team says the organization is managing amid provincial cutbacks.

The provincial government and the province's doctors have been without an agreement for more than a year and the province has made cutbacks, the most recent an across-the-board funding clawback of 2.65 per cent, enacted last April.

"It definitely has had an impact on local physicians, but thus far has been manageable," Kimberley Robinson told the paper.

The Ministry of Health and Long Term Care has also made changes around admitting physicians into family health organizations throughout the province.

A maximum of 20 new registrations are allowed per month, and in high-need areas only.

"Fortunately, our community is deemed high need," Robinson wrote in an email.

The Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team currently

has 11 doctors on its roster, most located at the clinic in Haliburton Village and Dr. Nell Thomas working out of Minden.

"In the last few months we have lost two physicians, but we continued to provide care and designate new physicians for those patients who were without a primary care provider," Robinson wrote. "We recognize that we may be facing a physician shortfall within the next two years, but are hopeful that recruitment efforts will be successful. We also recognize that having a second physician in Minden would be of great benefit to the community."

Algonquin Highlands Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen, who sits on the county's health care professional recruitment committee recently told county councillors they should be

prepared to have some cash ready for recruitment efforts and said a focus would be another doctor for the Minden clinic.

Robinson also recognized the allied health professionals – nurse practitioners, dieticians, social workers, seniors health nurses, etc. – who are part of the organization.

"The allied health professionals of the family health team are incredibly valuable and help maintain a high level of care that we are very proud of," she wrote. "They provide services in Haliburton and Minden as do the physicians. Many of the physicians, whose clinic address is Haliburton, travel to Minden weekly to see their patients who live closer to that clinic, as do the allied health professionals."

There are some 34,000 doctors and med students throughout the province.

## OPP launch safe sledding week

by **CHAD INGRAM**  
Times Staff

The OPP and the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC) held what they're calling Provincial Snowmobile Safety Week from Jan. 16 to 24.

The idea is to remind snowmobilers to focus on their own safety, as well as the safety as others.

"With the campaign . . . the OPP and OFSC are reminding snowmobile enthusiasts to stay off the lakes and waterways for the time being as conditions are generally poor in many parts of the province," a release reads.

Riders are encouraged to stay on trails prescribed by the OFSC and to refrain from speeding, riding after dark and of course riding while impaired.

The OPP investigated 15 snowmobile-related deaths last winter, a decrease from the two preceding seasons.

During the winter of 2013-2014 there were 21 snowmobile-related deaths in Ontario, 18 during the 2012-2013 season.

According to police, 58 per cent of snowmobile-related fatalities involve alcohol or drugs; 57 per cent involve speeding or driving too fast for conditions; and 58 per cent take place at dusk or after dark.

"In particular, the OPP and OFSC are looking to middle-aged males to ride with extra care and control this winter as 87 per cent of last season's snowmobile-related fatalities involved male riders and 58 per cent were riders or passengers between the ages of 35 and 54," the release reads.

Snowmobilers are advised to avoid road-running wherever possible.

Where it is necessary to ride along the side of a public road (this is legal in most areas in the province), riders are reminded to watch out for parked vehicles and vehicles emerging from driveways, give cars the right of way, be particularly cautious when approaching intersections, obey all traffic signs and slow down if their view is obstructed by snow banks.

Motorists are reminded to be vigilant of snowmobilers this time of year.

Tips on safe snowmobiling from the province can be found at <http://www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/dandv/driver/handbook/section7.2.2.1.shtml>

To find out which trails are open in Haliburton County, visit the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association's website at [www.hcsa.ca](http://www.hcsa.ca).

There have been two serious snowmobile crashes in the county recently.

On Jan. 17, a 41-year-old local man was airlifted to hospital in Toronto after an accident and on Jan. 18, a 51-year-old Tillsonburg man was killed when his sled crossed into the intersection of Francis Road along the Rail Trail in Gelert, striking a pickup truck.



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# Schmale looking for funding priorities

by **CHAD INGRAM**  
Times Staff

Recently elected Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Jamie Schmale told Algonquin Highlands councillors last week he'll be working to get local townships as much of the billions of stimulus dollars being dished out by the Liberal government as possible.

Schmale, who's been making the rounds introducing himself to local councils, visited Algonquin Highlands councillors during a Jan. 21 meeting.

Schmale said the decision to run deficits to stimulate the economy – the Liberals pledged deficits of \$10 billion a year during the 2015 election campaign – had been made by Canadians during the election.

"Now, it's my job to identify priorities across the riding and to try to hook people into those different funding opportunities," he said. "If we're going to have this money, we might as well have it in our riding."

Schmale said he understands that access to reliable, high-speed Internet is still a major

issue in Haliburton County, particularly in Algonquin Highlands.

"This township has a lot of gaps," he said. "As we all know, if you're not connected to the Internet, you're not connected to the world."

Schmale said the Trent-Severn Waterway "is always a challenge," and that he'd already met with Ted Spence, chairman of the Coalition for Equitable Flow.

Recently, Haliburton County council voted to join forces with the CEWF, as well as politicians in North Kawartha and Trent Lakes, to form an organization to speak with one, unified voice on behalf of stakeholders in the region, which contains much of the feeder lakes that supply water to the Trent Severn canal.

While Haliburton County may represent the smallest portion of the riding, "I won't forget about the county," Schmale promised councillors, joking that predecessor Barry Devolin, from the county, made him sign an oath in blood.

A former radio journalist, Schmale, who grew up in Bobcaygeon, was Devolin's executive assistant during the MP's 11 years in office.



## No gas in Carnarvon

For several weeks now, the pumps at what was the ESSO station in Carnarvon have been closed, the ESSO signs removed from the building and the store shut. The *Times* has been unable to make contact with the owners. The pumps were closed for an extended period in 2012 as new tanks were installed and the station has had a habit of running out of gas.

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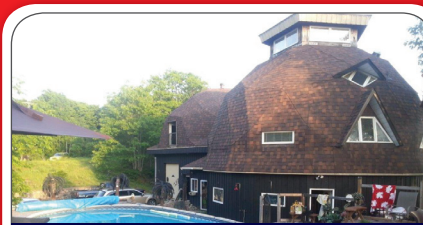


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## Those left behind

I LOST A FRIEND to suicide last year.

I didn't find out until months after it happened.

My friend was also a co-worker of mine, when I lived and worked in the Okanagan Valley in British Columbia. That's going back to 2008. I left B.C. to come back to Ontario and immediately began work at the *Times*.

I hadn't seen my friend since I left the West, but we'd always kept in touch, mostly through digital chat in recent years, having Facebook exchanges every few months.

He was one of the few close friends I had in B.C. We'd go out for beers each week after the paper was put together and sent to press. We'd spend hours talking about politics, music and film.

A few years older than me, he was a brilliant guy, a great journalist and a mentor.

For whatever reason, it dawned on me in November that I hadn't heard from him in some time.

Since May.

When I went to send him a message on Facebook, his profile was gone.

So I went looking for him.

What I found after a brief Google search suspended time.

An obituary, my friend's face staring back at me from my computer screen.

Thirty-six years old. And dead. There was no information about the circumstances, other than he'd died suddenly.

Further searching on the Internet revealed that his family had set up a foundation in his name, one that gives educational bursaries to young people suffering from mental health problems.

Shock was followed by disbelief. I felt like someone had ripped my stomach from my body.

What followed was a strange and illogical guilt.

2015 was a great year for me. I got married. Went on an incredible Italian honeymoon. Bought a house.

It was strange and terrible realizing that as I was doing all these things, my friend had ceased to exist.

How could this have happened? Why didn't he reach out to me? Or anyone?

But that's the thing about mental illness; it sometimes becomes so unbearable for the sufferer that he can no longer cope.

It's so isolating that he's too far gone to realize the extreme impact his departure will have on those who know him.

I struggled for days after I found out. Unable to concentrate at work. Breaking into tears.

I can't imagine what his family is going through.

When someone suffering from mental illness goes to this extreme length, he is relieved from his suffering, but what about those of us left behind?

This week sees Bell Let's Talk day, an annual event from the telecommunications giant that encourages ending the stigma around mental illness and raises funds for programming.

It's a great initiative and it's heartening to see people coming forward with their stories, but the reality is it should be OK to talk about mental illness every day.

I don't know what happened to my friend, where it happened or who found him.

But I do know he should have felt able to talk to someone.

CHAD INGRAM  
Reporter

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"FREEZE!"

Kim Wark

## Buy or celery

WHEN I WAS A KID, I thought certain things were indicators of vast wealth. A new car, a big house, an in-ground pool, a job that doesn't require you to wear a name tag and a membership at a country club are all good examples of this.

Recently, I have added purchasing celery.

This occurred to me the other week when we were shopping and noted that a bunch of celery was selling for closer to \$5 than \$4.

Frankly, I was astounded and thought it was a mistake. Then, I looked at the price of cauliflower.

The good news is I do not like celery that much – in fact, no one does, as far as I know. Don't agree? When is that last time you heard anyone yell out, "Boy, I could really go for a good stalk of celery right now?"

So instead of buying it, we just marveled at it from a distance wondering if the high price was because producers had somehow found a way to gold plate it.

It turns out they had not.

I guess this price should come as no surprise though – although I must say I'm not used to getting sticker shock from vegetables.

Meat is a different matter. Most of us need to take out a second mortgage to buy a nice steak or chicken breasts these days. I used to think this was a vegan conspiracy, but then I saw the price of celery.

Apparently, we're all in this together.

I'm sure there are many economic reasons for this – the rising price of oil must make transportation costs....oh, never

mind. OK, there have to be other reasons that I don't understand. Perhaps, in the case of celery, it's all about supply and demand. Foreign markets might have discovered the joy of raising rabbits and are willing to pay a bit more. Or it could have something to do with our weak dollar.

Regardless of the reason, if this keeps up celery might soon become one of those foods you'll see right beside the nachos at fancy dinner parties.

My main issue with this (and other vegetables) is they depreciate in value rather quickly. Every time I buy celery in winter it wilts within a couple of days. That pretty well destroys its resale value on Kijiji.

Now that I know the value of it, however, I'm looking to purchase a quality vegetable crispier to protect my investment.

The truth of the matter is this seems to be how things are going. It's getting far more expensive to live and enjoy the things we formerly took for granted.

You could lament this sorry state and you might be justified too, but it wouldn't help.

I prefer to take a different approach. If things get too expensive for me, I make an effort to earn more so I can afford those things that matter – celery is not one of those things, by the way. Celery – and I can't believe I'm saying this – is merely a luxury, not a necessity.

I know what you are thinking. That's easier said than done. Most of us haven't had a raise in years and are being asked to work more for the pay we are making.

Again, that's true. Besides I want to go where the real money is. That's why I'm going to invest in the stalk market.

STEVE GALEA  
Beyond 35



## IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

# Hooked on Downton Abbey

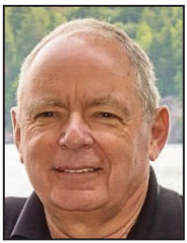
**A**FTER SIX SEASONS I'M STILL WONDERING why a guy like me became a fan of the British TV series *Downton Abbey*. Not just a run-of-the-mill fan – a rabid fan. I would rather miss dinner than an episode of *Downton*.

For the uninitiated, *Downton* is a period drama following the lives of the aristocratic Crawleys and their domestic servants at their magnificent old castle in the English countryside. It is set in the years running through the First World War and into the 1920s.

*Downton* first aired in Britain in the fall of 2010 and the sixth season, said to be the last, ran last fall. The series is aired later in North America with the sixth season now underway on American PBS, where I watch it.

The show, a sophisticated soap opera, has become wildly popular in Canada and the United States, attracting many prominent viewers. Michelle Obama is said to be an avid viewer, as are Chelsea Clinton and her parents. Other prominent fans are actors Sandra Bullock and Harrison Ford.

Boxer Mike Tyson has said he likes the show and hopes to land a role in it.



**JIM POLING SR.**  
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Those folks are among the estimated 120 million viewers who tune into *Downton* in 220 countries and territories.

For me, *Downton* offers relief from the constant mayhem shovelled out to North American TV audiences. It's nice to watch drama unfold without shouting, shooting, wild smash'em up car chases, and increasingly inventive forms of physical violence. When I want to see that kind of stuff I can shut off the TV and drive to Toronto.

I also appreciate *Downton Abbey* because I know there is an end to it. Many North American series clunk along with hundreds of episodes over many years. They keep going long after their most interesting stories and characters have been exhausted.

*Downton* usually has seven or eight episodes per season. When a season ends in late February or early March, that's it for the year. Nothing more until next January and by then you really are looking forward to its return.

Much of our North American TV fare looks and sounds like reality TV. Little is left for the imagination.

*Downton* is packed with subtleties. The expressions and dialogue of the characters are delicate and intelligent. The characters are no less nasty, sometimes even brutal, than those on North American TV, but it is nastiness delivered with finesse.

One of the nastier characters is Thomas Barrow, the scheming under butler. He's not likeable, but once into the story you realize he is struggling with his homosexuality, which was a crime in the 1920s. The viewer comes to understand why he is the way he is and develops compassion for him.

As devastating as Barrow is with cutting remarks, the show's champion zinger slinger is unquestionably Lady Grantham, the aged mother of Robert Crawley, the earl of Downton. She is played by the famous British actress Maggie Smith.

One of her classic zingers is delivered early in *Downton's* history when she is told that one of her granddaughters is entitled to her opinion.

"No, she isn't until she is married – then her husband will tell her what her opinions are."

In another scene, her granddaughter Lady Mary tells her sharply:

"How many times am I to be ordered to marry the man sitting next to me at dinner."

"As many times as it takes," Lady Grantham shoots back.

All the characters in *Downton Abbey* are complex and well fleshed out. Dislikeable as some are, the more you see of them the more likeable they become, despite their faults.

Lord Grantham is an example. He is a military man of honour and conviction and an upholder of British upper class beliefs. The world he knew is falling apart and he is not sure how to handle that.

Despite this he is not a stereotypical English aristocrat bitter about his lot. He displays compassion and treats his servants almost like family.

*Downton Abbey* is a flashback to a time no less complicated than today, but a time when life's problems were faced not as an unfortunate victim, but as a determined person with quiet resolve.

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## letters to the editor

# Fair Vote responds to MP

To the Editor,

As a resident of this riding and executive director of the organization leading the call for electoral reform in Canada, Fair Vote Canada, I welcome this opportunity to address a few of MP Schmale's concerns around electoral reform.

The call for electoral reform is gaining speed in this country. Across the nation, citizens have become frustrated with the way majoritarian voting systems work. Not only do these voting systems like first-past-the-post and the alternative vote (preferential ballot in single-member ridings) skew the intentions of voters, they deny over half of the electorate a voice. On Oct. 19 over 9,000,000 Canadians were unable to elect a representative aligned with their values. In a "majority" situation where one party can garner 100 per cent of the power with only 39 per cent that means out of 25,638,379 eligible voters, 4,616,449 currently have all the power.

Representation should be a "right" not a prize. If it's not, then what does the term democracy really mean?

Unfortunately, we live in a hyper-partisan environment where policy is often designed to pander to a party's base and important issues like investor-state protection in trade deals and income inequality get passed over. Instead of planning for our future, we spend our valuable resources discussing dress-codes for minorities and whether Canada is now hip.

Over 80 countries and 85 per cent of OECD countries have moved to systems of proportional representation (PR) to deliver fair results for citizens. PR delivers results that respect voters' intentions. Since WWI, Canada has had 17 "majority" governments but only four were true majorities: 1940 – William Lyon MacKenzie King, 1949 – Louis St. Laurent, 1958 – John Diefenbaker and 1984 – Brian Mulroney. False majorities occur often and are los-

ing their legitimacy.

Fair Vote Canada has been trying to address a tsunami of misinformation from those who opine that we will end up with an unconstitutional system like Israel with nationwide closed list to the idea that "majorities" are somehow more stable than strong coalitions that represent a true majority of voters.

Amongst the barrage of misinformation is the idea proportional representation would silence small communities. This is false. Ridings are based on population. The rule of thumb is roughly 100,000 voters per riding. Under any new system districts would be based on population. Under proportional representation the electorate would actually have greater representation. And, both urban and rural centres will receive their fair share of MPs chosen with their votes.

In fact, with a more proportional voting system, voters would not only be able to vote for a representative according to their values, most would be able to elect a representative aligned with their values. For instance, in MP Schmale's own riding, he won the seat with 45 per cent of the vote leaving 55 per cent of voters without an effective vote. Under a proportional system, the boundaries would change to create a district where all voters would be able to elect a representative aligned with their values. Setting up the system this way changes the dynamic in a riding – all representatives will need to compete for the attentions of voters delivering a more responsive government and a better way to serve the electorate.

Before MP Schmale continues his call for a referendum without knowing where we are going with consultations, we hope he will really dig into this issue and provide an opinion on the best system for the electorate and all his constituents. The Conservatives were the biggest losers in the 2015 election with over 2.8 million Conservative voters unrepresented. It's a disservice to them to not advocate for a better system.

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There is an increase in protective head wear users in curling. Minden's Pauline Plooard, right, who was the first to adopt the practice in Minden, sweeps with a teammate at the Minden Curling Club./

DARREN LUM  
Staff



## Curlers conscious of their craniums

by **DARREN LUM**  
*Times Staff*

Minden's Pauline Plooard points to the ice where more than a third of the women curling are wearing a variety of headgear protection at the Minden Curling Club on a Wednesday morning for women's league.

Plooard, a curler with more than 20 years of experience, was the first at the club to wear anything protective for her head close to five years ago. Her decision to wear the headwear that resembles a thicker than average headband came after a couple of her friends were forced to leave the sport because of head injuries.

Now the issue has gained greater attention because of a pair of highly publicized head injuries: 2006 Olympian gold-medal curling champion Brad Gushue fell on his face on national television during a major competition; and a 72-year-old Scarborough woman died from her head injuries in October.

Despite the raised awareness, there is only a handful of protective headgear users in Haliburton County. That group continues to grow because of heightened concern due to head injury complications such as concussions. So far it's been more female curlers sporting protective headwear in Minden.

On a Wednesday morning, Plooard points to the four curling sheets, showing the diversity of styles such as Ice Halos worn by more than a third of the 32 ladies curling. The entire list of options include what she wears, sun visors, tuques and baseball caps. Each of them have a small styrofoam plastic encased block, placed at the back of the hats and is about the size of a deck of cards.

Haliburton's JoAnne Sharpley Source for Sports owner JoAnne Sharpley offers all of the options, including snowboard helmets, which have been the choice of a few male curlers, because they are multi-use and they

look better.

Although there hasn't been a dramatic shift to wearing head protection, Sharpley said there is enough demand for her to continue to sell the products. In the last couple years there have been close to 30 hats sold at her location.

Not only is it a safety concern, she said, but it will become a sales strategy. She is asking her staff to encourage customers buying new equipment to consider head protection for sports such as curling, snowboarding or skiing.

All of the clubs (Minden Curling Club, Wilberforce Curling Club and Haliburton Curling Club) encourage safety in their literature, workshops for beginner, intermediate and advanced, and their websites. However none have made it mandatory for their members.

Minden Curling Club's Dave McKay, a session instructor with the club, said "With new curlers or curlers who have not curled in several years we always evaluate their ability to balance and walk on the slippery ice surface. If they have poor balance or are timid we recommend that they use a delivery stick and wear grippers at all times," he wrote in an email. "Quite a few of our curling members wear protective headgear and we will provide information on the types of headgear protection that is available."

The curler with 60 years of experience said he has considered wearing the head protection, but has not because he wears grippers on both feet while sweeping and believes it would be too hot for him.

He adds new curlers should use grippers at all times, which includes sweeping, except when delivering rocks.

"Grippers should be replaced when worn although this has more to do with ice cleanliness. Make sure that the grippers fit tightly

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# School board supports 'safety tuque' practice

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— most of the serious falls I have witnessed occur when a gripper falls off while sweeping. Never step onto or off the ice with the sliding sole last on the ice. Step around rocks — newer try to step over them,” he wrote in an email.

In Wilberforce, the club there has made it mandatory for its youngest curlers from Wilberforce Elementary School who were receiving curling instruction.

Although the Trillium Lakelands District School Board's OPHEA (Ontario Physical Education) guidelines, which outline the safety requirements for how students participate in sports and activities, do not require head protection for curling, the club and the administration of the school thought it was a good idea for the students to wear “safety toques.”

It was even able to secure protective tuques for every student last year and added 24 more tuques for the Grade 4 students because of \$9,000 worth of grants from Canadian Tire Jump Start.

This is not just a great program for a students without a gym, but has been a boon to the club's membership and could be the root of an entire generation of curlers where wearing headgear isn't even given a second thought like it is in other sports such as hockey and activities on the slopes.

The students and Wilberforce Curling Club's Dave Watson, one of eight volunteer coaches, affectionately call them the Beanie Boppers.

All of the coaches have adopted the practice of wearing the tuques with the protective pad at the back of the head.

Everyone interviewed agrees that helmets are a must for contact sports such as hockey and football.

Curling is not hockey, but it has its share of risk.

A report released in April last year from the Public Health Agency of Canada revealed of the 90 per cent of injuries in recreational curling resulting from a fall a little more than 30 per cent were head impacts.

Watson said once the pad is damaged it can

be sent back to the company in exchange for another one.

Another program that requires its participants to wear head protection is the Red Wolves Special Olympic curling team.

Its co-ordinator, coach and parent Yvette Brauer, said all of the members must wear protective headgear, as part of a safety concern.

“We opt for the halo as it is widely used and looks cool. A number of our coaches are wearing them as well although not mandatory for them,” she said. “Keeping everyone safe from serious injuries is our main focus, some of our athletes have balance issues so this is definitely beneficial especially for them.”

President of the Haliburton Curling Club Mary Hillaby said safety is a top priority at her club, as evidenced by the information outlined on the club's homepage as well as taught in their clinics, emphasizing the use of grippers and particular actions on and around the ice.

She adds there is greater awareness among her membership because of the injuries even if the Gushue facial injuries would not have been mitigated by protective headgear.

Hillaby wasn't certain about numbers related to protective headwear users at her club, but has noticed there has been an increase compared to a few years ago.

“We're constantly making everyone aware of it not to the point of scaring them. We just want them to be safe,” she said.

When asked if she would wear protective headgear she said, “I would wear one ... I just haven't put a pad in the back of my hat.”

As far as the club's youngest participants in the Youth Curling Club, Hillaby has left it up to the parents' discretion pertaining to headwear and has sent a letter.

She acknowledges some of the reservations related to head protection, but is fully aware of the growing selection.

“When people think protective headgear they automatically think helmets, but some of the designs are cool. You can have a tuque with protective pad at the back. There's baseball caps. They're trying to make it more appealing for people to wear,” she said.

## Hawks lance Knights

The Red Hawks junior player Alex Petrie rises for a jump shot against a Norwood Knights defender during Kawartha Interlock A game on Tuesday, Jan. 19 at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. The Hawks hung on for the 32-29 win./

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The Lakefield Tigers player Morgan Jack, left, is beaten on a drive by Red Hawks senior Hunter Smith during a Kawartha Interlock A game on Tuesday, Jan. 19 at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. The Hawks jumped to a 14-10 lead at the half and poured it on in the second and cruised to a 54-28



Left, Red Hawks senior player Caleb Schmidt is fouled by Lakefield Tigers defender Jon Dew during a Kawartha Interlock A game on Tuesday, Jan. 19 at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. Above, Travis Carroll reaches to save a ball.

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# Hawks return to winning ways over tigers

by **DARREN LUM**  
*Times Staff*

Coming off the team’s first Kawartha conference loss to rival Falcons of Fenelon Falls Secondary School, the senior boys’ Red Hawks basketball team bounced back into the win column with a dominant 54-28 win over the visiting Lakefield Tigers in Kawartha A Interlock action on Tuesday, Jan. 19 in Haliburton.

Besides a closely contested first quarter when the score was 8-7 for the Tigers, the Hawks never looked back after taking a 14-10 lead at the halftime break and adding 18 points in the third, easily outpacing the visitors’ nine points.

Hawks coach Dave Waito said his team had far more energy than the day before leading to the convincing win in front of a home crowd on Tuesday.

He loved how his team’s scoring was spread among all eight players on his team.

Hawks forwards Nick Thompson and Hunter Smith, who also added nine rebounds and five assists, combined for 28 points while teammates Caleb Schmidt and McKay Coneybear helped on the defence end with five steals each. Thompson finished with a double-double, scoring a team and game high 16 points and pulled down 10 rebounds.

He adds the team has begun to draw up offensive schemes for his other players besides the top two scorers of Thompson and Smith.

Waito said the team came out flat against the Falcons in the 35-31 loss on Monday, Jan. 18 and paid for it with a loss that snapped an eight-game winning streak.

“If we would have played like we played the second half today it would have been a win,” he said.

Having the win streak broken wasn’t entirely negative, as loss isn’t always a bad thing for a team nearing the post-season, Waito said.

“Sometimes those things can be good going into playoffs,” he said. “Sometimes there is a lot of pressure playing an undefeated season, but clearly today there are lessons that came out of it because they came out with much more energy in the

second half today. That’s what we needed.”

For close to two weeks the team takes a break for exams. Right after this break the team will return to the court when it travels to Petawawa for the Falcon Classic tournament from Feb. 5 to 6. They are assured three games. Then the team’s next Kawartha conference game is against I.E. Weldon Secondary School, which is tied with the Hawks for first. A win guarantees top spot for Kawartha West and a loss will ensure second place.

Waito and the team believe the undefeated season is historic (first Kawartha West title in most recent memory), but it is just one step away from the long term goal.

“We don’t want to feel like we felt yesterday at the end of the game. To make a perfect season would have been great, but that’s not what we’re playing for. That’s a COSSA [Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics] championship. That’s the end goal. We’re still on path for that,” he said.

Interlock game determines A Kawartha seeding for the post-season.

The three Kawartha A teams are HHSS, Lakefield and the Brock Bulldogs.

Waito said the win against the Tigers ensures the first seed for the Kawartha A playoffs, which means the team will play the second seeded representative from the Quinte region.

Haliburton hosts the COSSA championship tournament on Feb. 25.

Waito wants as much support as possible for that event. Game times have not been scheduled.

He said it’s a great opportunity for the community, family and loved ones to be able to come and support the team in its quest for a championship.

“Haliburton basketball is being talked about in the area and that’s a good thing. It’s been a long haul, but we’re excited that’s happening so if community people want to come in [Feb.] 25 there’s going to be basketball all day long. There will be junior and senior [six games] ... it’ll be good. It’ll be some better ball of the season,” he said.



# Church bonspiel a uniting event

The 14th annual United Church Community Bonspiel took place at the Minden Curling Club on Sunday, Jan. 10. This is a popular annual event and once again every spot was filled and eight teams of eight curlers took part. For the past 12 years Barb and Walter Braker and Don and Nancy Ballantyne were the organizers, but new, younger people with new ideas were needed. Eric and Jaklin Casper who organized the spiel and Andy and Charlene Cooper who organized the potluck dinner came forward and dazzled everyone with their enthusiasm and efficiency! The day was a great success.

The teams and audience of spectators came from every church in Minden as well as from Zion and Maple Lake United, as well as from the communities from Minden up to Haliburton. There was a team of teenagers who could be

Brier contenders, in a year or two! There were grandparents and grandkids playing together, seniors being beaten by juniors, women's teams and mixed teams, a jolly kilted contender, some who had never curled before and a lot of fun and laughter. While half of the curlers were on the ice, Eric tested the trivia knowledge of the others and each team's correct answers increased their final score. Each four person half team played three ends then the other half of the eight person team took over, in some instances to try to save the game, in others to snatch defeat from the jaws of victory! Lots of advice was offered by the gallery as well as some reminders of how to play!

After the two games we all sat down to the potluck dinner. As is expected at a church event, the food was very

good and plentiful. The winning team was announced and was presented with the Spencely trophy and the first pick of the prize table. The winning team was skipped by Winn Taylor and Alexandra Casper, with Heather Mephram, Mike Cusato, Austin Deschamps, Paul Heffer, Loretta Cusato, and Mary Forbes. Second place was skipped by Jack Cox and Wes Lytle, with Dave Millington, Barb Braker, Emily Parish, Holly Parish, Dick McSchell, and Maurice Lambert. Congratulations to them and to the new organizers who breathed new life into this event and ensured that it will continue for another 14 years.

Submitted by Nancy Ballantyne



The winning team was skipped by Winn Taylor.



The second place team was skipped by Jack Cox.

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# Hawks dominate Hurricanes 10-3

by **DARREN LUM**  
Times Staff

Finding the back of the net was easy for the Red Hawks boys' hockey team once it overcame a 2-1 deficit at the end of the first period against the visiting Holy Cross Hurricanes during Kawartha High School Hockey League action on Tuesday, Jan. 19 at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton.

On paper it should have been easy, as the visiting Hurricanes were seventh (1-5-1) entering play compared to the fourth place Hawks (4-2-1).

Coach Ron Yake said the reason for the deficit was simple.

Penalties really hurt their ability to get into a rhythm and gave the visitors opportunities.

"They were on the powerplay and we weren't and we really didn't have much chemistry going in the first period. We had good pressure at times, but we didn't get many shots," he said.

Haliburton was given three minor penalties compared with the Hurricanes, who not only didn't have a penalty, but also converted with one powerplay goal.

Coming into the game, the Hawks were looking to focus on staying out the box for needless penalties, Yake said.

"One of our game plans was to try and stay disciplined. Try to keep our mouths quiet and keep our head in the game and we did. Even down 2-1 in the first the guys weren't starting to chirp or get involved with that part of what sometimes hockey is, which is not good hockey, and we kept going. So the second period the goals started going in the net," he said.

The Hawks centre Jaydon Wood scored the 2-2 equalizer early in the second period off a nice give and go with centre Noah Dollo. Haliburton added five more goals, which led to the route of the Hurricanes.

Wood would later finish with a hat-trick and an assist to pace his team to the 10-3 win.

Goals in the period also came from forward Owen Patterson-Smith, who finished with a strong offensive outpouring with four points (two goals and two assists), defenceman Andrew Hall, who scored the eventual game-winner, centre Mat Wilbee, defenceman Owen Flood, who scored an end-to-end highlight goal that had his teammates on the bench, cheering and banging their sticks.

Yake hopes it's the start of something.

"That was good for us. We have had a few games when we have had a hard time scoring goals so for the puck to start going into the net maybe that is a sign of things to come for us," he said.

The team is a plus 15 (42 goals for and 27 allowed).

Yake said putting him with Dollo seemed to work and he'll probably continue with that pairing.

Hawks rookie goalie Cole Findlay kept things close when the team needed him most, making a toe save on a breakaway in the second period when the score was 2-2 less than three minutes after Wood's tying goal.

"Cole's played very well for us this year. It's his first year playing Red Hawk hockey and I know he is very excited about that and he has improved a lot. That was a big save," he said.

When the third period started the game was all but over with a 7-2 lead for the red and white. Haliburton's Patterson-Smith scored



The Red Hawks defenceman Max MacNaull stays with a Holy Hurricanes player after a dump-in on Tuesday, Jan. 19 at the A.J. LaRue Arena. Despite a 2-1 deficit, the Hawks went on to win 10-3. They were led by Jaydon Wood, who finished with a hat-trick in the win./DARREN LUM Staff

his second of the game and Wood started the third and finished it with a goal.

For the first time since the first Kawartha league game, the Hawks had their entire lineup, including second-year centre Wilbee, one of the team's best snipers, who was out with a leg injury.

He made an immediate impact scoring minutes into the first to tie the game at 1-1. There wasn't much evidence of rust, as he finished with a pair of goals and an assist.

Wood played wing in this game after several games when he played centre while Wilbee was out.

Other players that were out were Mac Rider, who missed a game, Chris Thompson, who has been struggling with a sore knee and Patterson-Smith, who missed a few games with an internal injury.

"Yeah, we have been struggling being injury prone you might say," he said. "That's our first game since the beginning of the season with everyone playing."

Besides the team's scorers, Yake credits his entire team for this season's successes.

"The other guys on the team are hard workers. They all bring a little different aspect to the game, whether it's size, skill or speed so it's not just a three line team right now. We kind of juggled things today. We are going to keep with that against Crestwood the next time we play and the playoffs probably. We'll see how we do against Crestwood, but hopefully generate a few goals," he said.

A win could allow the Hawks to finish as high as second place in Kawartha.

With the top six of the league making the playoffs, Yake wasn't concerned about making the playoffs as much as he is about seeding, which will come down to the last game against the second place Crestwood Mustangs (6-2-0) at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton on Tuesday, Feb. 9. Puck drops at 3:50.

"Crestwood has a good team so it should be a good match," he said.

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# Storm Bantams shut out Ennismore Eagles

The Pepper Mill Highland Storm Bantam A team started the playoffs against the Ennismore Eagles Saturday afternoon in Ennismore. The Storm team had a bit of a slow start, allowing the Eagles the first goal, early in the first period. They came out strong in the second period but was deflated when a bouncing puck deflected in, making it 2-0. The momentum continued to build as the Storm stepped up to the Eagles, but luck wasn't on their side just yet. During a Storm power play, the Eagles chipped the puck and scored on a breakaway. That ended the second period with the Storm down 3-0. The Storm turned things around in the third period. It began with a rush by Owen Gilbert, a pass to Zach Morissette and he found the low opening. The Storm dominated while on a power play and got a wrap around goal, scored by Owen Gilbert. The Storm tied the game 3-3 while on another power play. Facing off in the Eagles end, a pass from Lucas Haedicke to Ben MacNaull and he flicked it by the goalie. The game went into a scoreless 10-minute overtime and both teams left with a point.

The Highland Storm Bantam A team played game 2 in Haliburton on Sunday afternoon against the Ennismore Eagles. It was an intense, action packed game that the Storm won 1-0, taking the lead in the first round of play-offs. The Storm set things up nicely during a power play with perfect passes and positioning, halfway through the first period and got the only goal of the game. Owen Gilbert scored, assisted by Lucas Haedicke and Ben MacNaull. Both teams offered lots of end-to-end action but the periods remained scoreless and Carson Sisson earned a shutout. Great job to all the Bantam players!

## Shamrocks' luck runs out

The JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports Highland Storm Peewee A team hosted the Parry Sound Shamrocks Saturday afternoon in game one of their playoff series, and defeated them by a score of 4-1.

The Storm had the only two goals in the opening frame, both scored by offensive menace Joe Boice, the versatile Cole Prentice, had "helpers" on each goal, while Colin Glecoff and Aaron Bellefleur each had a point. A team evidentially not ready to roll over, the Shamrocks keep the pace up and made the Storm earn everything they got. Dylan Keefer had the lone goal of the period, with Ty Mills earning a point on play, and Bellefleur his second of the game.

The Shamrocks had some luck, when they got on the board early in the third period with a fluke goal. The puck hit a player than another, and arched up and over the goalie, to cut the lead 3-1. Later, Boice completed the hat trick, and put the shamrocks to bed in the process, making it 4-1, Glecoff earning his second point of the game.

The following day and second game of the series had the storm in the Shamrocks' barn facing the premise of going up two games to nothing, or going home with the series tied at one.

Balanced scoring is a key component of any teams success and first year forward Nick Phippen displayed that by asserting himself on the forecheck, and getting the storm on the board with Brenden Newhook and Aiden Neave getting the helpers. The effort persisted and thus the Storm kept the puck deep in the Shamrocks' zone. Newhook was the recipient this time as Phippen returned the favour with the assist. The period ended with the visitors up two to nothing. Parry Sound started to take over the game applying efficient force and pressure, causing the Storm to turn over the puck. The period concluded with the Shamrocks registering the only goal, and kept it a contest cutting the lead in half. The Storm were lucky to get out of the period only giving up the one goal and not the lead. The third period started with the Shamrocks

still exerting their will as they had the Storm on their heels. Two and one half minutes in the final frame, they tied it up 2-2. Then three minutes later Joe Boice decided to take back the lead, which was expunged by the same Shamrock player, who had scored two straight. Now with the game tied at three, and eight minutes remaining, the Storm's captain Alex Little took over the game and scored three straight un-assisted, coast-to-coast, unanswered goals to seal the deal, and had the Shamrocks left wondering what could have been. Game three is this Sunday. Please come out and support your local minor hockey association and Peewee A team as they battle through some exhilarating playoff hockey.

## Tykes take a win in Parry Sound

On Saturday, Jan. 23 the Tom Prentice and Sons/RM Carpentry Highland Storm Tyke team were back on the ice squaring off against Parry Sound. The Storm team scored early and were relentless in their offensive pressure. Excellent skating, strategic passing and solid defensive play were all instrumental to the Storm win. Every Storm player got a goal or assist in the game and our fearless goaltender stood strong to earn another shut out for the season. Way to go, Storm, on another big win. The team is back in action next weekend when they travel to Parry Sound.

*By Janice Scheffee*

## Novice Storm strike down Bears

It was an excellent weekend of hockey for the Timber Mart Novice Highland Storm. The first playoff game was played in Gravenhurst versus the Bracebridge Bears. It was an amazing win for the Highland Storm. Addison Carr scored the first goal in the first period and Graeme Armstrong scored a beauty goal in the second. The Bears did score in the third, however, the Storm held on for a 2-1 win. The second game the Storm hosted the Bears at the A.J LaRue arena. This was an awesome game by the Timber Mart Novice Highland Storm. Kadin Card got the game started with a great rebound goal at the front of the net. In the second period Isaac Lee scored the Storm's second goal making it 2-0 going into the third. It was only 30 seconds into the third period and Kadin Card fired a wicked goal making 3-0 for the final score. This was Aaron Neave second shutout. Way to go Storm. Next weekends schedule is Jan. 30, 4:30 p.m. in Gravenhurst vs the Bracebridge Bears; Jan. 31, 2 p.m. in Haliburton at the A.J. LaRue arena vs. Bracebridge Bears.

*By Amber Card*

## Midget A look for vengeance in Minden this Friday

The Dollo's Foodland and Smolen's Dentistry Highland Storm Midget A team visited the Parry Sound Shamrocks on Friday night for the opening salvo in the best of five playoff series. It started out as a tentative affair as both teams were finding their playoff legs with Haliburton's Jaydon Wood finding the back of the net first, with the Storm on a power play, midway through the first on a flawless feed from Owen Patterson-Smith, who had an outstanding game. The first ended with the locals still ahead 1-0 with both teams having a few chances but neither able to sustain pressure in the offensive zone. The second found Parry Sound taking the play more to the Storm and were able to put one past goaltender Parker Smolen a minute into the period and again with five

minutes left to take a 2-1 lead into the final segment. With the "luck of the Irish" behind them the Shamrocks came out flying and scored a quick one to take a 3-1 lead. The defensive stylings of the Storm proved their nemesis as they could not maintain any presence in the offensive zone and Parry Sound tallied their final marker, on the power play, with four minutes left. This seemed to energize the Storm but alas too little too late as Matt Manning scored in the final minute to end the game as a 4-2 loss.

Parry Sound visits Minden on Friday night, Jan. 29, at 9:30 and we repay the favour Saturday, Jan. 30 in the birthplace of Bobby Orr.

*Submitted by Katie and Dave Howe*

## Curfew ends Midget B Girls' season with tie

The Bancroft I.D.A./Canadian Tire Midget B Girls Jets received some great news prior to their road game in Keene on Thursday, Jan. 21. The Lindsay Lynx played spoiler and defeated the Keene Wolverines 2-1 the previous night in Lindsay. The loss by Keene guaranteed first place in the LLFHL Midget B East loop for Bancroft and home ice advantage in the league play-offs. The Jets used the good news to jump out to 1-0 lead midway through the first period when Kenndal Marsden set up Kelsey Maracle on a beauty two-on-one rush with Maracle finishing off the play with a top shelf blocker wrister. The Wolverines tied the game late in the first period with a neutral zone defensive breakdown allowing Keene a breakaway from the red line – capitalizing on the rush and the 1-1 tie. Both teams continued to work hard and exchanged scoring chances to try and break the deadlock. After a scoreless second period, Keene gained a 2-1 advantage midway through the third period with a bouncing puck that found its way into the Jets net. The game winning goal for the Wolverines came with a deflected puck from behind the Bancroft net that bounced up and over Katie Hoover's shoulder and across the line. The Jets tried but could not find an equalizer goal in the "no-change-in-the-standings" game.

On Saturday night in Peterborough, the Jets looked to finish their regular season on a positive note looking at a first round bye in the first round of their league play-offs. A slow start allowed the Ice Kats to jump out to a 1 - 0 lead midway through the first period when the Jets failed to clear a loose puck in a goal-mouth scramble battle. Bancroft tied the game at 1-1 late in the first period on a power play. Kelsey Maracle found Sydney Feir cruising through the slot and fed a sweet pass that Feir slid past the Ice Kat tender with a low blocker wrister. On the first shift of the third period, after a scoreless second period, Kenndal Marsden put the Jets up 2-1 with a short-handed beauty. Marsden capitalized on Marissa Phillips' great forecheck putting a quick snap shot past the Ice Kat tender. The pesky Ice Kats continued their attack and after a confusion-packed, "possibly curfewed" chaotically interrupted finish to the game, Peterborough tied the game on with a 2-2 power play wrister that found its way into the net through a maze of players and traffic in the slot. The game was cut short as the curfew was imposed with just under two minutes left to finish the tightly contested battle.

"Congratulations" Bancroft I.D.A./Canadian Tire Midget B Girls Jets on your first place finish in the LLFHL Midget B East loop. Step up your focus and get ready to ramp up your game intensity girls as you await your second round opponents in your league play-offs. Your second half of the season will need your engines firing on all cylinders as you get ready to take flight Jets. Use your exhibition game vs Ancaster Avalanche on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 30 in Minden at 2 p.m. to start your push into the post season.

*Submitted by Dan Marsden*



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### Dated Events

#### HALIBURTON: Healthy Beginnings – Prenatal Class

**When:** Begins Thursday, January 28, 6 to 8 pm  
**Where:** Ontario Early Years Centre (83 Maple Ave., Halco Plaza, lower level) in Haliburton Village. Join this free class offered by the Health Unit to help expectant parents prepare for baby's arrival. Continues on February 4, 11, 18 and 25. Pre-register by calling (705) 457-1391 or toll-free at 1-866-888-4577.

#### Men's Day

**When:** Friday Jan 29th  
**Where:** Sir Sam's Ski / Ride  
A great day of skiing, racing, indoor games, (Cost \$150.00 per person includes: Lift ticket, rentals, breakfast, Lunch and Dinner). Prizes awarded at 7:00pm. Please book in advance.  
**Contact:** [chris@sirsams.com](mailto:chris@sirsams.com) 705-754-2298

#### Calligraphy Workshop

**When:** Saturday, January 30th, 10am-12pm  
**Where:** Haliburton Highlands Museum  
This workshop led by Debbie Mansfield will give you the skills to create written documents that are work of art! Suitable for ages 12 and up (adults included!). This workshop is free, but pre-registration is required. **Contact:** 705-457-2760 or [info@haliburtonhighlandsmuseum.com](mailto:info@haliburtonhighlandsmuseum.com)

#### Haliburton County Folk Society Concert with David Francey

**When:** Sat. Jan. 30 at 7:30 pm  
**Where:** Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion  
Come and enjoy the music of one of Canada's best known folk songwriters, performers and great story tellers. **Contact:** [haliburtonfolk.com](http://haliburtonfolk.com) for full details

#### MINDEN: 'Meet the Nurse'

**When:** Monday, February 1, 10 am to noon  
**Where:** Ontario Early Years Centre (144 Bobcaygeon Rd.) in Minden.  
Parents with children up to age six years can meet with a Public Health Nurse, who can provide breastfeeding support, screen for speech concerns and discuss infant care, growth and development and other parental concerns. Call (705) 457-1391 or 1-866-888-4577 for more information.

#### Minden Legion Initiation Day

**When:** February 6 1:00 pm  
**Where:** Minden Legion  
The public and all members encouraged to attend. Light lunch to follow.

#### Highlands Trio

**When:** February 6 4-7 pm  
**Where:** Minden Legion  
No cover charge, donation for band. Food available

#### MINDEN: S.T.O.P. (Smoking Treatment for Ontario Patients) Program

**When:** Saturday, February 6, 10 am.  
STOP Program supports smokers trying to quit by providing them with five weeks of nicotine patches at no cost. Smokers will also get educational material and other resources to help them in the quitting process. To see if you are eligible, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2000.

#### HALIBURTON: Sexual Health Clinic

**When:** Wednesday, February 10, 10:30 am to Noon  
The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided. For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 1205.

# Keeping fit and counting steps

## AROUND THE TOWN

Patti Fleury

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Here at the old farmhouse counting is the name of the game. Contrary to any expectations this is not about that stash of pennies still on the dresser, forbidden calories or chances to win Lotto Max. I am counting steps. At a recent lunch with friends we learned that in preparation for an upcoming overseas walking tour they are both using "Fit-Bit" a clip on electronic device which measures several health and lifestyle markers including steps taken. Having set up a particular route Ken now records 6,000 steps each day without leaving the house while Sue's total is more modest yet very respectable. In comparison considering my totally sedentary lifestyle it seemed a good approach. So before sitting at the computer to write this column and without the benefit of any recording device I have already achieved an estimated 300 steps and the morning is still young.

Warmest wishes are sent out to a very special lady celebrating a very special birthday this weekend. Ruth MacBrien will turn ninety this Sunday, Jan. 31 and friends are invited to congratulate her in person that afternoon at the Minden Bible Church, 177 Bobcaygeon Road North, from 1 to 4 p.m. with the cake cutting at 2:30 p.m. Bruce and I first met Ruth and Bob MacBrien through the Pioneer Society and its heritage exhibit at the Kinmount Fair an involvement they continue annually. Bob is an accomplished artist while Ruth teaches and demonstrates traditional tanning a talent she learned from her grandmother. Both are founding and ongoing members of the Kinmount and Area Artisans Guild with their work displayed and sold at the Kinmount Artisans Marketplace.

Tickets are still available for the annual Bursary Dinner

## Events



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## Minden & District Horticultural Society



Sat. Feb. 6

Lunch: noon  
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and Auction in support of the Kinmount District Educational Fund to be held on Saturday, Feb. 6 at the fully accessible Galway Hall. Doors will open at 5 p.m. to allow time for viewing and/or bidding on the great items donated for the live, country and silent auctions before enjoying dinner at six o'clock. Funds raised provide valuable financial assistance to local students living within a 15 km radius of town and who are entering or continuing post-secondary education at university, college or trade school. Tickets are \$15/person and can be purchased by calling Vic at 705-488-3953 or the Kinmount Pharmacy located on the lower level of the Health Centre at 705-488-1960.

At the Legion Branch 441 Kinmount on Saturday, Feb 6 it's tribute time recognizing musical artists including the great Buddy Holly. This event starts at 5 p.m. in the clubroom along with a musical meat draw and trivia contest and non-members are most welcome to attend. The next day Sunday, Feb. 7 will be Super Bowl Sunday in the clubroom so come out for a potluck and chance to cheer on your favourite team.

After closing for the month of January for upgrades the Kinmount Artisans Marketplace will re-open its doors to welcome visitors on Feb. 5 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The marketplace offers a wide variety of local arts, handcrafts, books and souvenirs plus some antique pieces and a great selection of vintage collectibles. The present schedule is Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. weather permitting so a call ahead to 705-488-1414 during those hours would be in order if conditions are doubtful.

Invite your Valentine to the Country Music Jamboree at the Coboconk Legion on Feb. 14 from 1 to 5 p.m. hosted by the Country Hot Flashes with Scott Russell and Ron Lister. Admission is \$8/person for an afternoon with an open mike, square dancing and food made available by the Legion Ladies Auxiliary.

Mark your February calendars now for the free Family Snowflake Ball coming up on Saturday, Feb. 20 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Kinmount Community Centre. Be sure to save some energy for the following day and enjoy more family fun at Kinmount Winterfest on Feb. 21 with breakfast at the community centre and events at the fairgrounds.

From the same friend counting his steps and avid internet browser an interesting fact. In February 2016 there are four of each days of the week (plus a fifth Monday for Leap Year). This will apparently not happen again for 823 years. I am not sure of his exact source but sometimes wonder about who figures out this stuff and why?

Until next week keep busy and well, they go together...

# County card scores

by Patti Fleury

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Jan. 18 contract bridge at Stanhope: The high scoring quartet members were Bruce Armstrong 5,150, Ross Davies 3,740, Jackie Metcalf 3,410 and Paul Pethick 3,110 with the Lucky Loonie awarded to Linda Voycey.

Jan. 19 contract bridge at Minden United Church: Nancy Ballantyne reports that husband Don led the high scores at 5,040 then Gerald Bergin 4,810 and Julie Gray 4,580. Don and Julie teamed up for a Grand Slam while Gerald Bergin partnered with Donna McArthur had a Small Slam.

Jan. 19 Mixed Shuffleboard at Stanhope Firehall: In first place at 286 was the duo of Connie Sawyer and Yvonne Arbuthnot with Irene Murphy and John Platt next at 248. Blanche Carr and June Fortune claimed third spot at 247 while Kaye Bull partnered with Bev Kerr posted the afternoon's low of 99. Thanks to Pearl Cowen for this news.

Jan. 19 Minden Seniors bid euchre at Minden Legion: Leading ladies were Pat Marshall 303, our reporter Betty Wagar 276, Pat Norman 269 and Jean Scadden 267. First for the gents at 339 was Archie Ross followed by Clare Obdam 296, Tom Grix 246 and Pat Scadden 244. James Basted won the major draw with Clare Obdam, Jesse Barlow and Chris

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# Some of life's best stories heard at church



"Oh Lord", the preacher prayed, "I'm so sorry for skipping services today to come out here to hunt. Please forgive me and grant me one wish: Please make a Christian out of that bear that's coming at me. Please, Lord!" that very instant the bear skidded to a halt, fell to its knees, clasped its paws together and began to pray aloud right at the preacher's feet: "Dear God, bless this food I am about to receive..."

The MINDEN CHURCH MOUSE also heard Rev. Joan say that...

We are in a very short, post Christmas and Epiphany season this year and for some churches Ash Wednesday will happen before annual church meetings. It is just as likely that we may have more snow at Easter than we did on Christmas morning.

We have just celebrated Christmas and heard the wonderful story of the birth of Christ. It is the story that changed the world forever more.

A story touches the heart, mind, and the soul of people. A story informs, comforts, educates, and gives hope. A story helps us to understand life, learn a different way to live, and understand the history and culture of others. Stories can take us away, bring us to the reality of the present, or provide a dream for the future. Stories are comforting, empowering,

and bring healing and hope to broken lives.

Some of the best stories we will ever hear, gain guidance from, and learn a different way of being, are offered to us every Sunday in the readings at church. We hear the gospel read every Sunday, followed by the proclamation "This is the Word of the Lord." God's words are weaved into the stories we hear in the Bible, and the words tell the stories of God's love in this broken world. The stories are there for us in many forms, through readings on Sunday, in the Bible, in books, on line, and in many other forms.

We need to hear the stories of God and his love for us, we need to feel the presence of God in our lives, we need to be disciples to a broken world. This is a mandate of our faith, a living out of our baptismal covenant, a promise we made to proclaim Christ, in thought, word, and deed.

We do this in all our churches by telling the stories of God's love not only in words but also in different ministries. We feed, we give, we love. We tell the story of God's love through our actions, by being the hands, the feet, and the voice of Christ in the community and the world.

We need more people to tell the story. We need more resources to keep the story of God's love and faith in the church, and world alive. We need to keep God's stories of hope, faith, and joy alive and on the lips of people. May the story of your life be a story of faith.

Blessings

Rev. Joan Cavanaugh, St. Paul's Anglican Church

Some upcoming February Church Community Events Include:

\*Feb. Sundays – 10:30 a.m. – Series "How to Love God" (Minden Bible Church)

\*Feb. Wednesdays – 10 a.m. – "Life Groups" (Minden

Bible Church) – Ladies' Bible Study: Finding Freedom

– Mens' Bible Study: Leaving a Legacy

\*Wednesday, Feb. 3, 5:30 – 7 p.m. – Messy Church (St. Paul's Anglican Church)

\*Tuesday, Feb. 9, 7:30 p.m. – Enviro-Café – Environment Haliburton Community Discussion Group of Environmental Issues (Minden United Church)

\*Tuesday, Feb. 9, 5 to 7 p.m. – Pancake Supper – Adults \$8, Children under 5, free (St. Paul's Anglican)

\*Wednesday, Feb. 10, 7 p.m. – Ash Wednesday Holy Eucharist Service (St. Paul's Anglican)

\*Thursday, Feb. 11, 12 p.m. – "Diner's Club" Seniors Dinner – 705-754-1711 (Minden United)

\*Sunday, Feb. 14, 11 a.m. – Communion Service followed by Social Time (Minden United)

\*Sunday, Feb. 14, 10:30 a.m. – Communion Service and Valentine's Luncheon (Minden Bible)

\*Sunday, Feb. 28, 10:30 a.m. – Author & Speaker: Ron Mahler (Minden Bible Church)

\*Sunday, Feb. 28, 11 a.m. – Sunday Service/Joyful Noisemakers/Lunch (Minden United)

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\*Rev. Joan Cavanaugh-Clark – St. Paul's Anglican Church, 19 Invergordon St. – 705-286-2541 (Sunday Services/Sunday School 10:30 a.m. with Holy Eucharist)

\*Father Placid Obiji - Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, 7 Bobcaygeon Rd. – 705-286-4117 (Mass Sunday 10:30 a.m.)

\*Rev. Max Ward – Minden United Church, 21 Newcastle St. – 705-286-1470 (Sunday Services 11 a.m.)

\*Pastor David Johnson – Minden Bible Church, 177 Bobcaygeon Rd. – 705-286-1338 (Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.)

## Homeless veterans benefit from Poppy fund



### LEGION BR. 636

Did you realize that when you enjoy our weekday lunches or your group books a catered function, when users of the building make a donation, you are not only supporting the facility, but also the community work that the Legion does? Thank you all our patrons and volunteers who help the Legion survive and thrive.

Canada-wide in 2015 alone, the Legion distributed approximately \$16.5 million from our Poppy Funds to veterans in need – including homeless and near homeless veterans. "Helping our homeless and near homeless Veterans is one more reason why joining the Legion is one of the best ways to help veterans who, in many cases, have sacrificed so much for this nation and now find themselves asking for a hand-up and not a hand-out," says Tom Eagles, dominion president of the Royal Canadian Legion. "The Legion's 'Leave the Streets Behind' program provides immediate financial help and support when and where needed. It also connects the veteran with the appropriate social and community services to establish a

long-term solution to meet their needs." Grants are available for food, bus passes, clothing, prescription medication and emergency shelter or assistance. If you know a veteran who is in need, homeless or in danger of becoming homeless please contact Al Mayo, service officer at the Legion 705-286-4541 or email dominion command at servicebureau@legion.ca.

Like your own home, the Legion building seems frequently to be in need of maintenance and repairs. We would like to thank our busy volunteers who have completed the trim on the new accessibility doors and installed a new ceiling in entrance. Looks darn good! Their hard work also helped our bathroom renovations come in under budget. The Legion recently replaced our inefficient cooler with a larger new one to help with meals and catering. Now we are looking at other areas needing insulation and replacement of windows to reduce our energy costs.

There are many events, food service and draw tickets at the Legion open to the public, but there are a few which are intended for members only. Our members are encouraged to be present Feb. 6 at 1 p.m. as the newest comrades are initiated. This is an essential step in becoming a member of the Royal Canadian Legion.

Coming up is another great opportunity for our members to

share in friendly comradeship with the 13 other branches in our zone. Washer-Toss takes place in Lindsay Feb. 27 with registration at 10 a.m. This game is a lot of fun and easy to play, similar to horseshoes but with a light ring you throw into a box from 30 feet away. Members of any age and fitness level can play; cost is just \$25 per two-player team. The cheering section is always open to the public but in order to play, you'll need a valid Legion membership card. If you'd like to play, there's a registration form on the board in our sports room, just let the president know you want to sign up.

## Notice



### COUNTY OF HALIBURTON COMMITTEE VACANCIES

The Haliburton County Tourism Committee is seeking an interested individual to fill a vacancy as a Committee member for the remainder of the four-year term of Council ending November 30, 2018. We are seeking a public appointee who has an interest in the County Tourism industry.

The Haliburton County Joint Accessibility Committee is also seeking an interested individual to fill a vacancy as a Committee member for the remainder of the four-year term of Council ending November 30, 2018. We are seeking a public appointee able to represent the interests of the disabled community. The successful applicant must be living with a disability to qualify for this position under the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act*.

Any person having an interest in being appointed to either the Tourism Committee or the Joint Accessibility Committee is invited to submit an expression of interest no later than **Friday, February 5, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.**, detailing relevant experience and skills to the attention of:

Michael Rutter, County CAO/Clerk  
County of Haliburton,  
11 Newcastle Street, P.O. Box 399,  
Minden, Ontario  
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705-286-4829 fax  
mrutter@county.haliburton.on.ca

## VDO delivers \$1.5 million in free dental care

Volunteer Dental Outreach has hit a major milestone. Last week, the organization announced it has provided more than \$1.5 million worth of dental care to those in need in Haliburton County since its inception in May 2011.

To put the dollar figure in context, that's 587 patients attending 4,281 appointments.

"This achievement is something for our whole community to celebrate because hundreds of volunteers and donors have helped in whatever ways they could to build, maintain, provide dental care and support the clinic," said Lisa Kerr, VDO

board member, in a press release.

There are currently six volunteer dentists with a seventh committed to coming in the spring. Twenty-three dentists have volunteered at the clinic throughout its history.

As of mid January, 34 people were on the waiting list for VDO services. Four are considered high priority and eight need dentures.

To find out how you can be part of the team or to learn more, go to [www.dental-outreach.com](http://www.dental-outreach.com) or call 705-457-3111.







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We thank you for your application, but only those selected for an interview will  
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#### EXCITING CAREER OPPORTUNITY Nurse Practitioner

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Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team  
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1. Help to ensure that the shop and surrounding area are kept in a tidy fashion at all times.
2. Responsible for the cleaning of camp common areas including cleaning washroom and shower facilities that ensures these areas are maintained at all times to the standards of health regulations.
3. Supply washrooms and other common areas with necessary materials and keep track of inventory related cleaning supplies.
4. Assist to ensure that any equipment, protective devices or clothing required by the Camp is used or worn by facilities staff; assist to ensure that staff comply with the Occupational Health and Safety Act, The Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) and related regulations.

**The deadline for this posting is February 20th 2016**

Please submit your resume and cover letter to  
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**To Apply:**  
Please send a resume and cover letter via email, fax or mail by February 5th to the attention of:  
Duncan Robertson, Director  
Onondaga Camp  
544 Eglinton Ave. East  
Toronto, Ontario. M4P 1N9  
duncan@onondagacamp.com  
Fax: 416 482 6237  
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Alfred Milburn  
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To keep a family close in thought  
Together or apart.  
Our family chain is broken now  
And nothing seems the same  
But as God takes us one by one  
That chain will link again."

Love you forever, Alf  
Forget you never.

In loving memory,  
Betty

## 640 IN MEMORIAM

**In Loving Memory  
of my Son**

**Kevin Isaacson**

*"I thought of you today  
But that is nothing new  
I thought about you yesterday  
And days before that too."*

*I think of you in silence  
I often speak your name  
All I have are memories  
And your picture in a frame.*

*Your memory is my keepsake  
From which I'll never part  
God has you in His arms  
I have you in my heart."*

**Love Mom & Family**

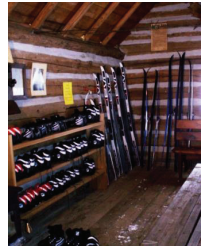
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### Drop In Snowshoe Program

**Tuesdays, February 2 to March 22, 2016**

Weather Permitting

10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Snowshoes available on a 1<sup>st</sup> come 1<sup>st</sup> serve basis – equipment is limited – this program is self-guided  
\$5 per person, includes equipment rental and trail pass (regular rate = \$15).

### Cross Country Ski Instruction

**Thursdays, February 4 to 25, 2016**

10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

4 week session. Cross country ski instruction with instructor Joleen Thomas building on our previous beginners program and to refresh your skills. Equipment is provided or bring your own. Space & equipment are limited. Advance registration is required. Cost is \$20 for the 4 week session.

Contact: Call 705-766-9968, email [recreation@algonquinhighlands.ca](mailto:recreation@algonquinhighlands.ca) to register or visit [www.algonquinhighlands.ca](http://www.algonquinhighlands.ca/?cat=trails&page=snowshoe) for more detailed information. Funding provided by the Government of Ontario.

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## 650 OBITUARIES

### In Loving Memory of Angus Edward "Ed" Deeks

*Passed away peacefully at the Hyland Crest Senior  
Citizens Home, Minden on Friday, January 22, 2016.  
In his 96th year.*



Beloved husband of Georgina Deeks (nee Leonard) for 69 years. Fondly remembered by Carol Moffatt-Hill, Diane Dollo, Marie T. and by his family and friends.

It was Ed's wish for cremation and no service.

Memorial Donations to the Minden Health Care Auxiliary would be appreciated and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0



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## 650 OBITUARIES



### William 'Bill' Trapp

*(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)*



Peacefully at home with his family by his side on Friday evening, January 15, 2016 in his 85th year. Beloved and devoted husband of Betty Trapp (nee Schott) for more than 60 years. Loving father of Gary (Cindy) of Haliburton and Robert (Suzanne) of Niagara Falls. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Lindsay and Tyler. Dear brother of June Elliott and Ken Trapp. Predeceased by his parents Jack and Irene Trapp (nee Morris) and his brother Jack. Also lovingly remembered by his sisters-in-law, brother-in-law, nieces, nephews, and his extended family and friends. Bill retired with 38 years of service from Bell Canada in 1987 and he and Betty moved from St. Catharines to become full time residents on Maple Lake in Haliburton. He was a lifelong member of the St. Catharines Game & Fish Association. Always active, even in retirement, Bill delivered the Haliburton Echo weekly for many years. He liked to hunt, fish, golf, curl, bowl and daily enjoyed all the natural beauty of the Highlands and most of all, his family.

### Visitation, Memorial Service & Reception

Family and friends are invited to call at the **PLEASANTVIEW FUNERAL HOME & CEMETERY**, 2250 Hwy #20, Fonthill, Ontario (905) 892-1699 for visitation on the evening of Tuesday, January 26, 2016 between 6 until 8 p.m. Memorial Service to follow on Wednesday, January 27, 2016 at 12 (Noon) with visitation one hour prior. Reception to follow. Cremation has taken place. Interment of ashes will take place at a later date. A separate memorial gathering is planned for the spring/summer in Haliburton. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario 705-457-9209

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### In Loving Memory of Henriette "Henny" van Essen (nee de Blaauw)

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Beloved spouse of Herb Turner of 45 years. Dear mother of Henriette "Hetty" Gruener and her husband Gunter, Winfriede "Winny" Walsh, Eleonore "Elly" Vette and her husband Tony, and William "Bill" Loving Oma to Monica, John, Paul and his spouse Daria, Michael and his wife Jasmine, and Angie and her spouse Holly. Proud Great Grandmother to William, Vanessa, Jessica, Xavier, Theodore, and Lucas; and Great-Great Grandmother to Bentley. Survived by her sisters Annie "Ies" Bresser and Catherine "Rinie" Hoppe, and brother Hendrik "Henk". Lovingly remembered by her extended family and friends.

A very special THANK YOU to the Doctors and Nurses of Haliburton Highlands Health Services and to the staff and volunteers at Hyland Crest Long Term Care Facility.

As an expression of sympathy, memorial donations made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be greatly appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0.



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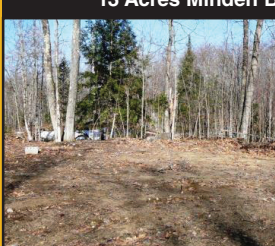
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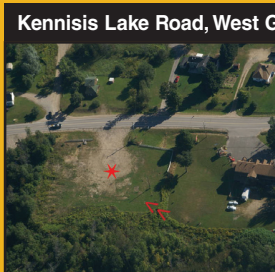
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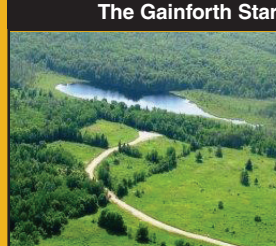
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